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## **Mike Leone Joins American Hotel & Lodging Association Board of Directors**

*Board Comprised of Accomplished Leaders from Every Segment of Hotel Industry*

SCHILLER PARK, Ill. – January 31, 2019 – Mike Leone, Chief Commercial Officer for PSAV, a global leader in event experiences, has joined the Board of Directors of the American Hotel & Lodging Association (AHLA). Leone proudly accepted the appointment to AHLA’s Board, which represents leaders from all sectors of the lodging industry, including brands, owners and real estate investment trusts (REITs), management companies, independents, and state associations. Leone will be part of vital discussions concerning a broad range of industry- and association-related issues.

“It’s a great privilege for me to serve as a member of the AHLA board of directors,” said Mike Leone. “This association does so much good for our industry that it’s a pleasure for me to be able to contribute some of my experience and insight in an effort to help advance its greater purpose. I look forward to collaborating with some of my peers and other respected members of the board.”

“I am pleased to welcome Mike to the AHLA Board. This past year has been one of AHLA’s strongest yet, with a wave of momentum around our most important issues. As we build on that momentum and look to achieve even more in the future, I’m excited to have him at the table,” said incoming AHLA Chair of the Board Geoff Ballotti, president & CEO of Wyndham Hotels & Resorts. “Our Board members are without a doubt instrumental to AHLA’s success, and Mike’s leadership and experience will serve our industry well.”

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### **About AHLA**

*Serving the hospitality industry for more than a century, the American Hotel & Lodging Association (AHLA) is the sole national association representing all segments of the 8 million jobs the U.S. lodging industry supports, including hotel owners, REITs, chains, franchisees, management companies, independent properties, bed and breakfasts, state hotel associations, and industry suppliers. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., AHLA focuses on strategic advocacy, communications support, and educational resources for an industry that advances long-term career opportunities for employees, invests in local communities across the country and hosts more than one billion guests’ stays in American hotels every year. AHLA proudly represents a dynamic hotel industry of more than 54,000 properties that supports \$1.1 trillion in U.S. sales and generates nearly \$170 billion in taxes to local, state and federal governments. Learn more at [www.AHLA.com](http://www.AHLA.com).*

**About PSAV®**

*PSAV is a global leader in event experiences, providing creative, production, advanced technology and staging services to help meeting professionals deliver more dynamic and impactful experiences at their meetings, trade shows and events. The team consists of more than 9,000 professionals across 1,500 on-site venue locations and 49 branch offices within the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, the Caribbean, and the Middle East. It is the trusted partner and on-site provider of choice at leading venues worldwide. PSAV was recently named to the Forbes 2018 America's Best Employer list. The company is headquartered in Schiller Park, Ill. [www.psav.com](http://www.psav.com).*

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